

IN THE CLAIMS

This is a complete and current listing of the claims, marked with status identifiers in parentheses. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) Authentication method of at least one application working in a equipment connected by a network to a control server, said equipment being locally connected to a security module, said application ~~is-being at least one of loaded-loadable and/or executed-executable viaby means of~~ an application execution environment of the equipment and ~~uses-being adapted to use~~ resources stored in the security module, the method comprising the following preliminary steps:

- reception by the control server, via the network, of data comprising at least the identifier of the equipment and the identifier of the security module,
- analysis and verification by the control server of said data,
- generation of a cryptogram comprising a digest of the application, data identifying the equipment and the security module and instructions intended for said module,
- transmission of said cryptogram, via the network and the equipment, to the security module, and
- verification of the application by comparing the digest extracted from the cryptogram received with a digest determined by the security module, ~~said method further comprising steps-wherein, during at least one of the initialization and/or the activation of the application,~~ the security module executes the instructions extracted from the cryptogram and at least one of releases, -respectivelyand -blocks -the access to certain resources of said security module according to ~~the-a~~ result of the verification suited to this application carried out previously.

2. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the equipment is a mobile equipment of mobile telephony.

3. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1 wherein the network is a mobile network of at least one of the type GSM₁~~-or~~GPRS₁~~-or~~UMTS.
4. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1~~-or~~2, wherein the security module is a subscriber module inserted into the mobile equipment of mobile telephony of the SIM card type.
5. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 4 wherein the identification of at least one of the set mobile equipment and ~~/~~subscriber module is carried out from the identifier of the mobile equipment and from the identifier of the subscriber module suited to a subscriber to the network.
6. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1 wherein the instructions included in the cryptogram received by the security module condition the use of the applications according to criteria established previously by at least one of the operator~~-an/or~~, the application supplier and~~/or~~ the user of the equipment.
7. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 6 wherein the criteria ~~defining the~~define limits of use of an application according to the risks associated with at least one of the software of said application ~~-or-and~~ with the hardware of the equipment that the operator desires to take into account.
8. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1 wherein the verification of the application with the cryptogram is carried out at the time of at least one of the first initialization ~~or-at the time of~~and the first use of said application.
9. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the verification of the application with the cryptogram is periodically carried out at a given rate according to instructions originating from the control server.
10. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the verification of the application with the cryptogram is carried out at the time of each initialization of said application on the equipment.

11. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the cryptogram is generated with the aid of an asymmetrical or symmetrical encryption key from a data set containing, among other data, the identifier of the equipment, the identifier of the security module, an identifier of the application, the digest of the application calculated with an unidirectional hash function and identifiers of the resources of the security module and instructions for locking/releasing of resources of the security module.
12. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 11 wherein the cryptogram includes a variable that is predictable by the security module avoiding the double use of a same cryptogram, the value of said variable being controlled by the security module by making a comparison with that of a reference value stored in said module and regularly updated.
13. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the security module transmits to the control server, via the equipment and the network, a confirmation message when said security module has accepted or refused a cryptogram of an application.
14. (Previously Presented) Method according to the claim 1 wherein the cryptogram is transmitted to the security module at the same time as the application is loaded into the equipment via the execution environment of the applications.
15. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1 wherein the application, once loaded into the equipment from the control server via the network, requests a cryptogram from the server at the time of its initialization and transmits said cryptogram to the security module, the confirmation message of acceptance or refusal of the cryptogram being transmitted by the security module to the server via the application.
16. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the equipment is a Pay-TV decoder or a computer to which the security module is connected.
17. (Currently Amended) Security module comprising resources intended to be accessed locally by at least one application installed in an equipment connected to a network, said equipment ~~comprising~~ including means for reading and ~~transmission~~ transmitting data

~~comprising~~ including at least ~~the~~ an identifier of the equipment and ~~the~~ an identifier of the security module, said module further ~~comprises~~ comprising means for reception, storage and analysis of a cryptogram containing among other data, a digest of said application and instructions), ~~as well as~~ means for verification of said application, and means for extraction and execution of the instructions contained in the cryptogram, for at least one of ~~releasing~~ and ~~or~~ blocking certain resources according to the result of the verification of the application.

18. (Currently Amended) Security module according to claim 17, wherein the security module is at least one ~~being~~ of the "subscriber module" ~~or~~ and "SIM card" type intended to be connected to a mobile equipment.

19. (New) Method according to claim 2, wherein the security module is a subscriber module inserted into the mobile equipment of mobile telephony of the SIM card type.